225 SCHOOL ZONES

Authority for school zone speed limits is covered in ARS 28-797. Arizona amended the 1988 MUTCD on September 1, 1989 to modify school signing and marking standards as follows:

ARIZONA MODIFICATIONS TO THE 1988 MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES FOR STREETS AND HIGHWAYS, AS AMENDED

3A-8 Transverse Markings

Add Subsection 3. as follows:

"3. School crosswalk lines shall be yellow (Sec. 3B-18 and Sec. 7C-3)." (Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

3B-18 Crosswalks and Crosswalk Lines

Delete the first sentence of paragraph 2 and substitute the following: "Crosswalk lines shall be solid white lines, marking both edges of the crosswalk except that school crosswalks shall be yellow (Sec. 3A-8 and Sec. 7C-3)." (Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

3B-21 Curb Markings for Parking Restrictions

Delete the second sentence of paragraph 1 and substitute the following:
"However, when curb markings are used to supplement standard signs they
shall be marked and have the meaning indicated as follows:

- 1. RED curb markings shall indicate a parking prohibition.
- 2. GREEN curb markings shall indicate a time limit restriction.
- 3. YELLOW curb markings shall indicate a loading zone restriction."

7B-6 Position of Signs

Delete paragraph 3.

(Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

7B-10A Stop When Children in Crosswalk Sign (S2-2)

"The Stop When Children in Crosswalk sign shall be used at all established shool crossings. The Stop When Children in Crosswalk sign shall have a black legend on a white background. The sign shall be erected on a portable support within the roadway at the crosswalk and shall have a standard 24"*30" size and shall be mounted not less than 24" from the bottom of the sign to the roadway. WHEN AN ENGINEERING STUDY INDICATES IT IS DESIRABLE TO USE A LESSER WIDTH SIGN, A MINIMUM SIZE OF 20"*30" MAY BE USED."



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(Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

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7B-12 School Speed Limit Signs (S+1, S+2, S+3, S+4)

In the title of this section add "S4-5" after "S4-4."

After paragraph 7 add the following new paragraph:

"The School Speed Limit sign shall be used to indicate the speed limit through an established school zone. The School Speed Limit sign shall be a standard 24" × 30" panel displaying the legend, NO PASSING — 15 MPH — SCHOOL IN SESSION. The upper portion of the sign shall have a black legend, NO PASSING, on a white background; the middle portion shall have a black legend, IS MPH, on a white background and the lower portion shall have a black legend, SCHOOL IN SESSION, on a yellow background and shall be mounted not less than 24" from the bottom of the sign to the highway. WHEN AN ENGINEERING STUDY INDICATES THAT IS IS DESIRABLE TO USE A LESSER WIDTH SIGN, A MINIMUM SIZE OF 20" × 30" MAY BE USED.

The School Speed Limit signs shall be installed on a portable support within the roadway, placed on each approach to the crossings at a distance not greater than 300 feet in advance,



(Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

7C-3 Crosswalk Lines

In the first sentence of the first paragraph delete the word "white" and substitute the word "yellow" (Sec. 3A-8 and Sec. 3B-18).
(Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

7C-7 Centerline

"A yellow centerline marking shall be installed in advance of an established school crossing. The length of the centerline shall not be less than the distance between the portable speed limit signs. All centerlines shall conform to the requirements of Section 3B-1, Centerlines."

(Reference: Section 28-797, Arizona Revised Statutes)

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FIGURE 225-A ARIZONA MODIFICATIONS TO MUTCD

ADOT has a uniform procedure for evaluating the need for school crosswalks on State highways. See Section 920 - School Crosswalks.